## State General Purpose Recipient Committees

## March 2, 2004 Election Filing Schedule

Filing Deadline	Type of Statement	Period Covered by Statement <sup>1/</sup>	Method of Delivery
October 10, 2003	Pre-Election <sup>2/</sup>	<sup>1/</sup> - 9/30/03 or 7/1/03 - 9/30/03	<ul> <li>→ Personal Delivery<sup>3/</sup></li> <li>→ First Class Mail</li> </ul>
October 31, 2003	Odd-Year <sup>4/</sup>	<sup>1/</sup> – 9/30/03	<ul><li>→ Personal Delivery</li><li>→ First Class Mail</li></ul>
Within 24 Hours	Special Online Independent Expenditure Report <sup>5/</sup>	12/3/03 - 3/2/04	♦ Online or Electronically with Secretary of State
January 10, 2004 <sup>6/</sup>	Semi -Annual	<sup>1/</sup> – 12/31/03	<ul><li>♦ Personal Delivery</li><li>♦ First Class Mail</li></ul>
January 22, 2004	Pre-Election <sup>7/</sup>	1/1/04 - 1/17/04	<ul><li>♦ Personal Delivery</li><li>♦ First Class Mail</li></ul>
Within 48 Hours	Issue Advocacy Disclosure Statement <sup>8/</sup>	1/17/04 - 3/1/04	♦ Online or Electronically with Secretary of State
February 19, 2004	Pre-Election <sup>7/</sup>	1/18/04 - 2/14/04	<ul><li>♦ Personal Delivery</li><li>♦ First Class Mail</li></ul>
Within 24 Hours	If You Make a Late Contribution or Independent Expenditure of \$1,000 or More	2/15/04 - 3/1/04	<ul> <li>♦ Personal Delivery</li> <li>♦ Telegram</li> <li>♦ Guaranteed Overnight Service</li> <li>♦ Fax</li> </ul>
July 31, 2004 <sup>6/</sup>	Semi -Annual	<sup>1/</sup> - 6/30/04	<ul><li>♦ Personal Delivery</li><li>♦ First Class Mail</li></ul>

## **Footnotes:**

- The period covered by any statement begins on the day after the closing date of the last statement filed, or January 1, if no previous statement has been filed.
- File the statement due October 10, 2003, if contributions or independent expenditures totaling \$500 or more are made during the period July 1 through September 30, 2003, to support or oppose candidates or measures being voted on March 2, 2004.
- In addition to paper reports, a committee must file electronically if, since January 1, 2000, the committee receives contributions or makes expenditures totaling \$50,000 or more. For more information, visit the Secretary of State's web site at www.ss.ca.gov.
- File the statement due October 31, 2003, if contributions of \$10,000 or more are made during the corresponding period to elected state officeholders or

- committees primarily formed to support or oppose state officeholders not being voted on March 2, 2004.
- This report is required if a committee required to file electronically with the Secretary of State makes an independent expenditure of \$1,000 or more in connection with a state candidate or a state ballot measure being voted on March 2, 2004. No paper copy is required, except during the late independent expenditure period.
- Because January 10 and July 31, 2004, fall on a Saturday, these filing deadlines are extended to January 12 and August 2, 2004, respectively.
- File the January 22 and February 19 statements if contributions or independent expenditures totaling \$500 or more are made during the period covered by the statement.

A committee that makes a payment or a promise of payment of \$50,000 or more for a communication that clearly identifies a state candidate, but does not expressly advocate the election or defeat of the candidate, must file E530 electronically with the Secretary of State. The report must be filed within 48 hours of making or promising to make the payment. No paper copy is required.

## **Additional Notes:**

- There is no provision in the law for an extension of a filing deadline. Late statements are subject to a \$10 per day late fine.
- All statements are public documents.
- State candidates and committees are subject to contribution limits.
- Payments made for "member communications" by a
  political party (including central committees) must be
  reported as if the payments were contributions or
  independent expenditures.

As of the date of this publication (6/03), the 2003 Addendum to FPPC Campaign Information Manuals A-E contains the most recent information on campaign disclosure requirements. Legislative amendments to the Political Reform Act may go into effect that will change information contained in the 2003 Addendum and this filing schedule. Be sure to check the FPPC web site (www.fppc.ca.gov) for updated information.